



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium

<b>Bill #</b>	SB0100	<b>Title:</b>	Revise outfitter laws/ felony outfitting without license
<b>Primary Sponsor:</b>	Jent, Larry	<b>Status:</b>	As Introduced-Revised

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact     | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2  | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |

### FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2008 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2009 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2010 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2011 Difference</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Revenue:</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Net Impact-General Fund Balance</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

#### Description of fiscal impact:

This legislation will have no fiscal impact to Fish, Wildlife & Parks.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions:

##### **Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP)**

1. This legislation will change outfitting penalties from misdemeanor status to felony status.
2. FWP's game wardens have been investigating outfitting cases under the current misdemeanor status for many years. Since 2000, 147 outfitter citations have been written, 62 of which were for offenses involving non-licensed outfitters.
3. FWP's game wardens will continue to investigate these violations in the course of their regular duties whether they are misdemeanor or felony crimes.

4. Investigative and prosecutorial costs will not change significantly whether it's a misdemeanor or a felony crime.
5. FWP is the only agency charged with the investigation and ultimate prosecution of criminal statutes for violations of criminal codes for fish and wildlife. No other state agencies will be required to contribute to the cost of these investigations.
6. FWP anticipates no fiscal impact as a result of this legislation.
7. The fines are not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$50,000. Any fines would be deposited in the general fund.

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